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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 8/22/05 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

a) ☒ entered.

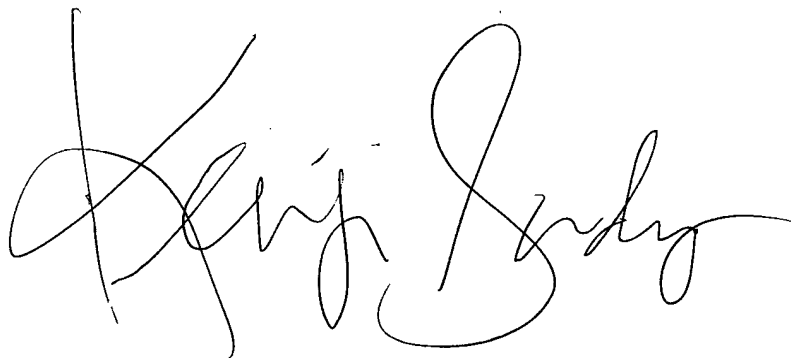
b) ☐ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.

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